Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—There must be a certain percentage of marks. In the case of University course there is more of elasticity. In the other case it is not like that.

Mr. M. K. Raman.—Whether they are declared eligible for public service in their certificates?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—We want notice.

President.—Unless they are declared eligible, they won't be given appointments.

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Even if it is not declared in the book, we will find it out by reference to the marks.

President.—There may not be an entry in the certificate book itself; but it will be learned from the marks themselves.

Ferry service between Ernakulam and Cochin.

245. Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether it is a fact that the licensee for the ferry-crossing service between Ernakulam and Cochin is collecting fares from season ticket holders in excess of the rates published in the Gazette;

(2) what is the rate of fare prescribed by Government?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—(1) No.

(2) 1st class. Rs. 9 a month.
2nd class. Rs. 6 ,,
3rd class. Rs. 2 ,,

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—May I know whether the rate, as given in answers to part (2), were ever published in the Gazette?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—I do not think they were.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—May I know whether the rates were published in the Gazette?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—In the notification some other rates were published, but that was found to be without any basis, and that had to be altered to the original rates. These were rates before the auction of the ferry under the last contract, and they were given effect to.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—Before the license was issued, tender was called for in the Gazette. May I know what are the rates?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—6, 3 and 1½.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—May I know why the license was not taken under that understanding?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—Before the contract was executed, there was a representation by the Managing Director, and the rates were changed to 9, 6, and 2.

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Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—Am I right in taking that the licensee purchased under the conditions set forth in the Gazette ?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—It is a matter of inference.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—The rates were published in the Gazette. I would like to know whether the licensee did not purchase in auction under the terms of the notification.

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—There was no auction, but only tender.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—The tender was accepted under the terms notified in the Gazette ?

President.—Yes.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—May I know what was the reason for changing the rates after the tender was accepted ?

President.—The tender, as stated in the notification, was a mistake. Originally the rates were different, and a mistake was committed in the tender, notification, and that was brought to the notice of the Government by the tenderer, and Government thought that it would be proper that the original rates must be restored.

Mr. V. V. Anantapadmanabha Ayyar.—If the correct rates were published in the Gazette, would not better tenders have been forthcoming ?

President.—That is a hypothetical question which is not admissible.

Officers in Government Service.

246. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to mention :—

(a) the total number of caste-Hindus, (2) non-caste Hindus, (3) Christians (4) Muslims and (5) Jews in the Government service drawing Rs. 25 and above per month in the (A) beginning and (B) end of last year;

(b) how many from each of the above five groups were in each Department (i) in the beginning and (2) at the end of last year ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) and (b). The information collected is contained in the statements appended (*vide Appendix I*).

Application from trained candidates.

247. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to mention :—

(a) whether those who have undergone private training

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